

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, with Commissioners Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Sharon D. Dillon, and Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Dahlstedt called the proceedings to order at 8:45 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Dahlstedt led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

III. AGENDA:

a) 8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Budget and Finance - Trisha Logue, Director:

1. Public Hearing to Consider Testimony Regarding Amending the 2012 Skagit County Budget

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue presented the budget amendments for the Office of Assigned Counsel and Elections and discussed the expenditures incurred that were not anticipated when the budget was adopted in December 2011 and amended in March 2012, June 2012, and September 2012.

Chairman Dahlstedt opened the public hearing at 8:49 a.m.

Seeing no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Dillon made a motion to close the public hearing at 8:49 a.m. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve the supplemental budget as presented by the Budget and Finance Director (**Resolution No. R20120389**)  
Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.  
The vote passed unanimously.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 8:50 a.m.

b) 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Decision - Closed Record Appeals Hearing PL12-0305 Submitted by Joyce Holmes and PL12-0345 Submitted by Randy and Vickie Hawkinson of the Hearing Examiners Approval of Special Use Permit PL12-0032 and Administrative Variance PL12-0083 Submitted by Verizon Wireless

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 9:01 a.m.

Chairman Dahlstedt commented on new evidence being submitted during the appeal hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen that Closed Record Appeal Nos. PL12-0305 and PL12-0345 be remanded to the Hearing Examiner for further fact finding. Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Chairman Dahlstedt dissenting.

A resolution outlining the issues of remand is expected to be brought forward on the Consent Agenda for Monday, December 17, 2012, at 1:30 p.m.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 9:07 a.m.

c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Budget and Finance - Trisha Logue, Director:

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m.

1. Adoption of 2013 Budgets and Levies

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue provided a PowerPoint presentation for the Skagit County 2013 budget.

Ms. Logue discussed sales tax, intergovernmental revenues, investment interest and fees, new construction, revenues 2006 through 2013, and law and justice expenses, other general government expenses for general operations of the County.

There was a discussion about levy rates.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen adopt the 2013 Skagit County budget. **(Resolution No. R20120390)** Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen adopt the 2013 Emergency Medical Services budget. **(Resolution No. R20120391)** Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen adopt the 2013 Central Valley Ambulance Authority budget. **(Resolution No. R20120392)** Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax limit factor for the General Levy at 101% of the 2012 levy. **(Resolution No. R20120393)** Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion. The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax levy for the 2013 Skagit County General Levy. **(Resolution No. R20120394)** Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion. The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax limit factor for the County Road Levy at 101% of the 2012 levy. **(Resolution No. R20120395)** Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion. The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax levy for the 2013 Skagit County Road Levy. **(Resolution No. R20120396)** Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion. The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax limit factor for the Conservation Futures Levy at 101%. **(Resolution No.**

**R20120397)** Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax levy for the 2013 Skagit County Conservation Futures Levy. (**Resolution No. R20120398**) Chairman Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed on a 2 - 1 vote with Commissioner Wesen dissenting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing the property tax levy for the 2013 Skagit County Emergency Medical Services Levy. (**Resolution No. R20120399**) Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution to authorize the shift of \$1,000,000 from 2013 Road Levy to the 2013 General Levy. (**Resolution No. R20120400**) Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve a resolution authorizing a diversion for \$1,350,000 from the 2013 Road Levy to the 2013 General Levy for traffic law enforcement. (**Resolution No. R20120401**) Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve a resolution to establish salary levels for certain Skagit County elected officials for 2013. (**Resolution No. R20120402**) Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve a resolution to establish 2013 salary increases for non-represented employees. (**Resolution No. R20120403**)

Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve a resolution to authorize unpaid closure days for 2013 for regular full-time and regular part-time, non-represented employees. (**Resolution No. R20120404**) Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 10:59 a.m.

d) 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. 1. Public Comment Period:

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

Seeing no public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Dillon made a motion to close the public comment at 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

2. Miscellaneous:

a) Vendor Services Agreement with Total Landscape Corporation for maintenance and vegetation removal of county-owned stormwater facilities, properties, and rights-of-way.

The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2014. Compensation shall not exceed \$20,796.04. **(Contract No. C20120353)** *(note, this was item 51, which was pulled from the December 10, 2012, consent agenda for further review)*

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve a Vendor Services Agreement with Total Landscape Corporation for maintenance and vegetation removal of county-owned stormwater facilities, properties, and rights-of-way. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2014. Compensation shall not exceed \$20,796.04. **(Contract No. C20120353)** Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

- b) Approval Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Local Agency Standard Agreement No. C20110188 with Shearer Design LLC to provide on-call structural engineering services for various projects. The purpose of this Amendment is to extend the term of the Agreement from December 31, 2012, to December 31, 2013. This Amendment increases compensation by an additional \$150,000 for a new compensation amount not to exceed \$300,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20120180)** *(note, this was item 54, which was pulled from the December 10, 2012, consent agenda for further review)*

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve b) Approval Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Local Agency Standard Agreement No. C20110188 with Shearer Design LLC to provide on-call structural engineering services for various projects. The purpose of this Amendment is to extend the term of the Agreement from December 31, 2012, to December 31, 2013. This Amendment increases compensation by an additional \$150,000 for a new compensation amount not to exceed \$300,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20120180)** *(note, this was item 54, which was pulled from the December 10, 2012, consent agenda for further review)* Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements:

1. Jail Coordinating Council meeting on Thursday, December 13, 2012.
2. Public Meeting to discuss ideas for Northern State Complex on Thursday, December 13, 2012.
3. Community Meeting at McLean Fire Hall to discuss Block Watch Program on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 11:35 a.m.

- e) 11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Proclamation - 2012 Night of 1000 Stars

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:45 a.m.

Public Works Director Henry Hash was present to introduce the Target Zero Coordinator Ken Bergsma. Mr. Bergsma introduced local law enforcement officers, Skagit County Coroner Daniel Dempsey, and Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney Rich Weyrich and thanked them for their work in reducing accidents and injuries related to impaired driving during the holiday season. Mr. Bergsma provided a brief PowerPoint presentation regarding the Skagit Target Zero "Night of 1000 Stars" multi-jurisdiction DUI emphasis patrols.

Commissioner Dillon read the proclamation declaring December 14, and 22, 2012, as the "Night of

1000 Stars" in Skagit County and encouraged all citizens to drive safe and sober this holiday season, and to be proactive in preventing further deaths and disabling injuries from impaired driving in Skagit County and beyond.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dahlstedt adjourned the proceedings at 12:00 p.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chairman

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Sharon D. Dillon, Commissioner

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Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Linda Hammons, Clerk of the Board